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Docket No. AMENDMENT TRANSMITTAL LETTER 06005/37771 Application No. Filing Date Examiner Art Unit January 23, 2002 Albert Kang Wong 10/052,426-Conf. #1924 2635 Applicant(s): Richard J. Vanderah et al. Invention: REPORTING REGULATOR FOR MANAGING A GAS TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM TO THE COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application. The fee has been calculated and is transmitted as shown below. **CLAIMS AS AMENDED** Claims **Highest** Number Remaining Number **After** Previously **Extra Claims** Amendment Rate Paid Present **Total Claims** 36 37 . X Independent 7 7 X Claims Multiple Dependent Claims (check if applicable) Other fee (please specify): TOTAL ADDITIONAL FEE FOR THIS AMENDMENT: 0.00 **Small Entity** x Large Entity x No additional fee is required for this amendment. in the amount of \$ Please charge Deposit Account No. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed. A check in the amount of \$ to cover the filing fee is enclosed. Payment by credit card. Form PTO-2038 is attached. 13-2855 × The Director is hereby authorized to charge and credit Deposit Account No. as described below. A duplieste copy of this sheet is enclosed. x Credit any overpayment. x Charge any additional filing or application processing fees required under 37 CFR 1.16 and 1.17. **September 27, 2005** Dated: David C. Read Attorney Reg. No.: 39,811 MARSHALL, GERSTEIN & BORUN LLP 233 S. Wacker Drive, Suite 6300 **Sears Tower** Chicago, Illinois 60606-6357 (312) 474-6300 I hereby certify that this correspondence is being deposited with the U.S. Postal Service with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, an envelope addressed to: MS Amendment, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Bex 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on the date vice with sufficient postage as First Class Mail, in shown below. (David C. Read) Dated: September 27, 2005 Signature:

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In re Patent Application of:

Richard J. VANDERAH et al.

Application No.: 10/052,426

Filed: January 23, 2002 Art Unit: 2635

For: REPORTING REGULATOR

FOR MANAGING A GAS

TRANSPORTATION SYSTEM

Examiner: Albert Kang Wong

Confirmation No.: 1924

AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated July 27, 2005, please amend the aboveidentified patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on Page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on Page 12 of this paper.